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## How About The Men?

To the Editors,

"More will die!"

That's what Governor Haley promised if we don't reduce domestic violence against WOMEN. The problem is, she completely ignores the equal, if not greater, violence against MEN.

So, yes; more will die. More men, that is. But Haley doesn't care. She's swallowed the Feminist propaganda line; hook, line and

sinker. She holds tight to the feminist dictum that only women can be victims, and only men are perpetrators.

Why wait until Dec. 31 for her committee to issue a report? The outcome is pre-determined, it's just a matter of putting it on paper. Der Schwesterschaft Uber Alles!

*Paul Clements  
Gaffney*

## Is Governor Truthful?

To the Editors,

On Friday, Jan. 30, 2015 the Associated Press posted a story about a new committee Gov. Haley is convening to study domestic violence. Actually, there were two versions of the same story that day. One focused on the

appointment to that committee of ex-Gaffney police chief, John O'Donald.

Unfortunately, it appears that the committee will be a re-hash of the many such committees that have been convened in the past.

A quick look at the list of 40 + appointed members provides some good evidence that the committee is one-sided, and will not do a thorough investigation, nor produce an unbiased report. In the Page 8A story,

third paragraph down, we are given an insight into the bias of the committee. "South Carolina has long ranked among the nation's worst in violence against WOMEN." No men-

tion of the male victims which make up an equal, if not slightly higher, percentage of domestic violence victims:

We suppose, therefore, that more

than half the nation's victims of domestic violence will be ignored in this study. The committee will have the feminist Coalition Against Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault, the Crime Victims Council, the Victim Assistance Network, several survivors of domestic violence, and even hair dressers; but not one group or individual who represents male victims. Furthermore, groups like police and judges have been shielded from the truth of male victimization, by limiting their seminars and lectures to agencies of the domestic violence industry, which are typically feminized. It all follows the feminist mantra, "only women can be victims, only males are perpetrators."

Governor Haley says, "We want to know what to watch for when it comes to domestic violence victims on the ground level." She LIES! She watches with only one eye. That's the eye on female votes, the eye on female entitlement and empowerment. Her other eye, the one that sees the victimization of males, will be tightly closed.

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## **Abusegate, Investigate!**

# ***Distortions, Half-Truths, and Lies***

Each year our nation spends \$4 billion dollars in the effort to curb domestic violence. But is that money actually stopping abuse? More and more, persons are saying, "No!"

*"We have no evidence to date that the Violence Against Women Act has led to a decrease in the overall levels of violence against women."* --  
Angela Moore Parmley, PhD of the US  
Department of Justice

These are three of the myths that hobble the effectiveness of abuse-prevention programs:

### ***Myth #1: Women are Never Prone to Violence***

One of the biggest falsehoods of the abuse industry is the claim that only men can be abusive. But research paints a different picture: "Women are as physically aggressive, or more aggressive, than men in their relationships with their spouses or male partners," according to Martin Fiebert, PhD of California State University.

To this day, the domestic violence industry continues to sweep half the domestic violence problem under the rug. As a result, many victims are being refused the help they need.

### ***Myth #2: Domestic Violence is Caused by Sexism***

On July 16, 2009, Americans were shocked by news of the death of Florida software executive Jessica Kalish, brutally stabbed 222 times with a household screwdriver.

Her assailant? Carol Anne Burger, Kalish's former girlfriend.

Domestic violence is just as common among lesbian (and gay) couples as among heterosexual couples. Who in their right mind can say partner abuse is caused by patriarchal sexism?

*"The real tragedy of Abusegate is that victims of genuine partner abuse are still left without hope and support."* -- Columnist Trudy Schuett

### ***Myth #3: The Cure for Domestic Violence is to Break up Families***

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When faced with low-level aggression – like a one-time slap or shove -- the standard tactic of shelter workers is to run down to the courthouse and get a no-contact order. But the order turns out to be a two-edged sword because it keeps the couple from getting counseling or mediation.

The lowest abuse rates are found among couples in stable, married relationships. In cases of minor aggression, we should be trying to mend the relationship, not destroy it!

### ***Abusegate, Investigate!***

According to a recent report, 9 out of 10 claims of the abuse industry are misleading, exaggerated, or completely false:

[www.madabout.org/news/RA/RA%20Report%20-%209%20out%20of%2010%20false](http://www.madabout.org/news/RA/RA%20Report%20-%209%20out%20of%2010%20false)

So why are we letting the abuse industry get away with all the distortions and lies? It's time we tell our elected officials, "Abusegate, Investigate!"

# DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

## The 12 Things You Aren't Supposed To Know

**1: Most victims are male!** Over the course of a lifetime, a male citizen of the United States will be violently attacked twice as often as the average female citizen will be. Contrary to the popular belief that 95% of domestic violence involves men beating up women, what the scientific studies really show is that women commit over 50% of the domestic violence in this country.

**2: Violence against men is no less severe than violence against women!** According to the National Crime Victimization Survey, men are 20% MORE likely to be the victim of an assault causing serious bodily harm, or an assault with a deadly weapon, by someone they know than women are.

**3: Women who abuse are NOT normally acting in self-defense!** Surveys of college women, married women, and women in prison, disclose that women most often INITIATE violence for the same reasons that men do: anger, jealousy, control, etc. – and that it is actually men, not women, who are most likely to be acting in self-defense during a domestic dispute.

**4: Most child abuse victims are male!** The U.S. Bureau of Justice Statistics, reports that parents are twice as likely to kill their sons than their daughters, and D.H.H.S. confirms that the majority of child abuse – including both sexual and physical abuse – is directed at male children under the age of 12.

**5: Violence against males is increasing!** Violence against males has been steadily increasing since 1975. Between 1997 and 1998, domestic abuse of men by their intimate partners increased 50%.

**6: Violence against females is Decreasing!** According to the U.S. Department of Justice, there has been a 21% decrease in the rate of female victimizations by intimates since 1993; a 60% decrease in forcible rapes since 1991; and a 30% decrease in overall violent crime since 1994.

**7: Violence by males is decreasing!** Contrary to popular belief, the problem of domestic violence by males against their female partners or intimates has NOT been getting worse. In fact, all reliable measures of male violence against women show that in almost every year since 1975, the rate of male violence against female victims has been markedly *decreasing*.

**8: Violence by females is Increasing!** F.B.I. records show that over the course of a ten year period, female-initiated violent crimes increased 61.8% Between 1991 and 1995 alone, female-initiated domestic violence increased 62%. Many studies have shown that most child abuse is committed by women, and from 1974 to 1990, reported cases of child abuse went from 60,000 to 2,600,000 per year. Both the National Institute of Justice, and the U.S.

Violence Against Women Office, acknowledge that there has been a “dramatic increase” in violent behavior on the part of women, suggesting that “women are getting more aggressive.”

**9: Domestic violence against men is the most under-reported crime!** When a woman is the victim of domestic abuse, she is about 9 times more likely to report it to authorities than when a man is.

**10: Women who claim to be victims are not always telling the truth!** A U.S. Air Force study found that 30% of the accusations against alleged male perpetrators were proven false, through DNA evidence or otherwise. When faced with the prospect of a lie detector test, another 30% of the accusers either failed the test, or refused to take it. Other major studies put the rate of false accusations of rape at 50 – 60%.

**11: The field of domestic abuse research and treatment is dominated by gender bigots!** “Bigot” is a strong term, but no other field is as rife with animus toward a selected segment of the population (males) as this one has been. The numerous hoaxes and lies grossly exaggerating the extent of male violence against women are proof of that. (the question arises: if their cause were so righteous, why would they need to lie?)\_

**12: Males are the primary targets of gender bias in the American legal system!** From arrest through sentencing, males receive harsher treatment than women do. A man is 25 TIMES more likely to receive a prison sentence for fondling a child, than a woman is for maiming or killing one. The National Survey of Crime Severity found that the average American ranks stabbing one’s husband to death as a far LESS serious crime than stabbing one’s wife to death under identical circumstances. In fact, the average American considers it a more serious crime for a man to sell marijuana to another man, than for a woman to stab either of them to death without provocation or justification. Because of the way we treat male juvenile offenders and the conditions of our male prisons, the United States can meet neither the United Nations’, nor the European Unions’ standards for the humane treatment of prisoners, and has now surpassed China on Amnesty Internationals’ list of countries with the worst human rights records in the world.

SOURCE: James, Thomas B., *DOMESTIC VIOLENCE: The 12 Things You Aren’t Supposed To Know*: Aventine Press, Chula Vista, Calif, 2003